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## REMARKS

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for the detailed remarks, the allowance of claims 7-11 and the allowability of claims 3-6. Claims 1 and 3 have been amended. New claims 17 and 18 are presented. Claims 12-16 are withdrawn. Accordingly, claims 1-11, 17 and 18 are pending.

Claims 1 and 2 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) as being anticipated by *Greune* (3886731) or *Martin* (3902315). Applicant respectfully traverses this rejection. Claim 1 has been amended to recite that the APU shaft speed is varied to maintain a corrected speed between a minimum mechanical speed and a maximum mechanical speed. The cited references fail to disclose or suggest such a variation or limit thereof. The claims are properly allowable.

Applicant respectfully submits that this case is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a teleconference will facilitate moving this case forward to being issued, Applicant's representative can be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully Submitted,

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